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BUSINESS CONDITIONS.

"Approach of the holidays naturally has a quieting effect upon business," says Henry Glows, in his weekly letter on business conditions. "The financial outlook, however, though not entirely free of shadows, has its encouraging features. Chief of these is the ease in money. What with contraction of credit, retrenchment in expenditures, dullness of trade and lessened speculative activity, the supply of loanable funds is steadily accumulating, and unless business recovery develops after the new year, there will be a glut of idle money. This, however, is the usual swing of affairs following any period of extraordinary activity. It is also one of the most natural and efficient cures for business depression. As long as general conditions remain sound—and there is no reason to consider them otherwise—money will gradually come back into circulation, flowing through the arteries of commerce and performing its useful and beneficent function in restoring business activity. Low rates of interest indicate insufficient employment for money. Funds, however, will not long remain idle on low returns. If not required in actual business, money will soon seek investment in high-grade securities. As the latter were the first to feel the depressing effects of high interest rates, they will also be the first to feel the stimulus of low interest rates. Already the bond market is beginning to show the effects of clean money."

The East is pessimistic, is the general statement of writers on business prospects. But the South and West so far have failed to be depressed. The southern states are said to be enjoying a greater business activity than in years.

The one reassuring thing is that the country financially is in a sound condition and, should there come a dull period, the elements for a quick recovery therein are to be found.

SANTA CLAUS AND CHRISTMAS.

The first fall of snow of the winter, coming only a few days before Christmas, has ended a long period of dry, mild weather and has given to nature a seasonable appearance. There was some uneasiness over Santa Claus' coming in his sleigh pulled by reindeer, but now that the surface of the earth has been prepared so that the dear old fellow can glide along, there is little doubt that he will arrive in Ogden on time, loaded down with presents for the children.

The shopping at the stores is said to indicate that the advance agents of old Saint Nicholas have made extensive preparations for the advent of the representative of liberality, love and affection and that on Christmas morning nearly every home in this city will be made more cheerful by the visitation.

We hope that during the period of rejoicing, no homes will be overlooked by those who are now searching out the needy, so that we can all feel happier in the thought that no one in Ogden will be without good cheer during this Christmas period.

JAPAN INCREASING HOLD ON PACIFIC.

The numerous recent predictions that there will be a war between Japan and the United States within the next few years have some justification in the activity of the Japanese in the Pacific. While the people of the United States are absorbed in home matters and feel as secure from danger as the ostrich with its head under its wing, Japan is moving heaven and earth to strengthen herself at every point. Count Katsura has included \$40,000,000 in the budget for the coming year, for new naval increases; this expenditure is "essential for the maintenance of peace," he significantly comments. Japan, he adds, is friendly with all the powers, but she intends to see peace and justice prevail in the Pacific.

While she is building up her navy by herculean efforts, Japan is also building up her merchant marine, which in time of war will serve as an auxiliary naval fleet. While the United States has practically no ocean tonnage, Japan is rapidly becoming a power in the shipping world. She is doing this by the aid of her subsidy system. Under these subsidies three steamship lines are operated to the United States, one to Europe and one to South America. The subsidies to be paid to these lines this year amount to over \$4,000,000, an increase of 15 per cent over last year. The result is that American shipping, which has no government aid and which is subject to severe restrictions of law, has no chance to grow in the Pacific.

CHICAGO TO "CUT LOOSE" ON NEW YEAR'S.

Tables for New Year's Eve in Chicago cafes, including the 1,500 in the new College Inn, which will reopen Christmas week in the new Hotel Sherman, already are taken, which presages a celebration surpassing any witnessed since New Year's Eve was seized upon by many thousands of people as an occasion to "cut loose." The estimate is that no less than \$150,000 will be spent that night, the estimate being based on the fact that the "classy" cafes and hotel dining-rooms will seat 7,000 persons, and the expenditure of \$15 per person—and then some. Last year the average was \$10 per person, but champagne is higher and bubble water is opened that night as on no other night of

the year. The new duty makes the price \$4.50 instead of \$4. Chicago's thirst is growing; 35,000 cases is the present record of consumption per year, and a great part of this disappears between 10 p. m. December 31 and 4 o'clock the next morning. The estimated \$15 per person is made up of \$10 for wines and other liquid refreshments—including water—\$2.50 for dinner and \$2.50 for incidentals. In some cases the \$2.50 will not cover the incidentals. In fact, it may take the entire \$15 for that purpose. But there will be some economical spirits who will keep the average down to \$15 per. The addition of the College Inn to the possible scenes of celebration is the big news of the event, for it will be the largest grill room in the country and the original of many "college inns" in the country. At the Hotel LaSalle there will be less restraint felt than last year, when the hotel was new, and those who watched the departure of the old and the coming of the new years in its dining rooms, felt a trifle strange. The same may be said of the Blackstone. It has had a year in which to get better acquainted with its patrons, and it will shelter at least 1,250 in its watch party. Then, there are the spacious dining rooms of the Congress and Annex, the Auditorium, the Stratford, the Wellington, DeJonghe's, the Bismarck, the Union, the Brevoort, besides such popular cafes as Vogelsang's, the Edelweiss, the Hofbrau, Stillson's, the States and Rector's.

JUST FOR FUN

"Have you any special terms for automobilists?" asked the man in bear-skin and goggles.
"Well, yes," responded the old toll-gate keeper, whose gate had been broken down by speeding machines. "Sometimes I call them dead beats, and sometimes I call them blamed kaws. Anything else you want to know?"—Chicago News.

Grief.
"Ah, little boy, I'm glad you didn't laugh when that poor man slipped on a banana and fell down."
"Boo-hoo-hoo! It was my father!"
"Cheer up, little man—he doesn't look as if he were badly hurt."
"I don't care—boo-hoo! It was my banana he stepped on!"—Cleveland Leader.

Answered.
"Isn't there anything to cut down a butcher's bill?" asked Tightwad, sarcastically addressing his meat man.
"Why, yes, Mr. Tightwad," said the latter. "You might pay a little on account now and then."—Harper's Weekly.

Businesslike.
"Are you going to make any New Year resolutions?"
"No," replied Mr. Camrox. "I'll have mother and the girls make 'em for me and I'll O. K. 'em."—Washington Star.

A Success.
Byker—I attended a successful sleight-of-hand performance last night.
Pyker—Really?
Byker—Yes, I lent a conjurer a counterfeit half-crown, and he gave me back a good one.—Tit-Bits.

Makes 'Em.
"Why do they call it 'angel cake'?"
The infant's father smiled.
"Because," he said, "such cake as this of Ma's spoils angels, child."

Make Good.
"Wake up, Cull," says the burglar, shaking the man by the shoulder.
The man wakes up, and jumps up, too.

"I went too dis house las' week an' I got an' a hum gold watch," explained the burglar; "an' de papers said dat you said your loss was \$100 an' joolry to de amount o' five or six hundred."

"Ye-yes?"
"Well, make good, sport. Me pardner was watchin' on de outside side me cough up de difference between what I got and what you said I got. Now, you got to make good. You can't beat me dat way."—Judge's Library.

INSURGENTS ARE NOT SATISFIED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Further revision of the rules of the house of representatives is contemplated by the insurgent members. Conference was held today to determine the form of the amendments that are to be offered.

The insurgents are not satisfied with the manner in which the new rule, giving the house power to discharge a committee from the consideration of a bill, was administered when its first trial occurred yesterday. This rule was procured after a hard fight last session to provide the means whereby a bill could be brought before the house when a committee refused to report it, or delayed too long in acting upon it.

Speaker Cannon ruled yesterday that the postal reorganization bill should be read in full when the motion was made to bring it before the house. Less than one-fourth of the bill could be read yesterday; and at the same rate it will take at least three more days to finish the reading. As this business is recognized only every first and third Mondays of the month, all motions of a like character will be delayed almost two months, before the motion finally is put to the house, as to whether the postal bill shall be considered.

Rule Can Be Remedied.
The insurgents declare this is a restraint of business which can be readily remedied by a small change in the rule. They propose to offer an amendment that will require only the reading of the title of the bill, when the motion is made to discharge the committee and to bring it before the house.

Propose Another Amendment.
Further than this, the insurgents propose another amendment to the bill that can be had on bills on the calendar. They think too much time is given to unimportant measures and that business will be greatly expedited if such an amendment is offered. It has not been determined what member shall introduce the new amendment, but the insurgents intend to have practically all united on their plans. They do not anticipate a fight in having these changes made.

AMERICAN STYLES IN FASHION.

Although the term "American styles" is heard more and more frequently each season, there are few who know that it emanates legitimately from an organization of American tailors, who devote their time to designing and producing American styles just as the French tailors and the

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OPEN RUPTURE MAY OCCUR SOON

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Labor Commissioner Neill admitted that labor conditions between Western railroad managers and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers are becoming so strained that an open rupture may take place soon. The engineers of sixty-one Western railroads have threatened to strike unless granted a wage increase.

Commissioner Neill has held daily sessions with both engineers and members of the railroad committees for nearly a week. The engineers side has conceded a point, nor has been willing to yield anything toward harmony. Warren S. Stone, grand chief of the engineers, telegraphed to the members of the executive board of the engineers and declared the likelihood of a reconciliation. It is said that if a strike is called it will not affect all the roads at once, but will begin with some of the most important and will continue until all the roads are tied up. Three roads in the West not involved in the wage controversy are the Denver & Rio Grande, the Colorado Midland and the Western Pacific.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY RATES.

Via OREGON SHORT LINE R. R. Salt Lake and return \$11.00. Also reduced round trip rates to all other points on Oregon Short Line. Tickets on sale Dec. 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 31st, 1910, and Jan. 1st and 2nd, 1911. Final return limit Jan. 9th. Secure tickets and full information at City Ticket Office, 2514 Washington Ave. E. A. SHEWE, C. P. & T. A.

DISASTROUS FIRE IS NOW RAGING IN CINCINNATI

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 21.—A fire, which has already caused a loss of a half-million dollars, broke out in the manufacturing district of the city at Ninth and Sycamore streets at 2:20 o'clock this morning, and at 3 o'clock was still spreading. Four firemen were killed and several others injured. The body of Robert Greer, a fireman, has been recovered from the debris. Two other bodies are in the ruins.

GALLAGHER'S TRIAL POSTPONED.
NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The trial of James Gallagher for the shooting of William Edward, street cleaning commissioner, while the latter was trying to protect Mayor Gaynor from Gallagher's attack on August 5 last, was postponed today until July 3.

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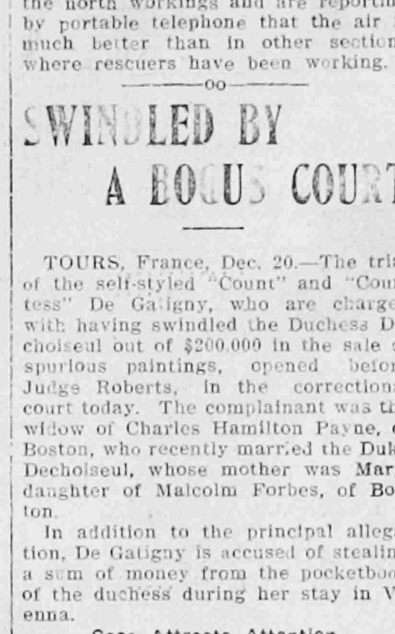
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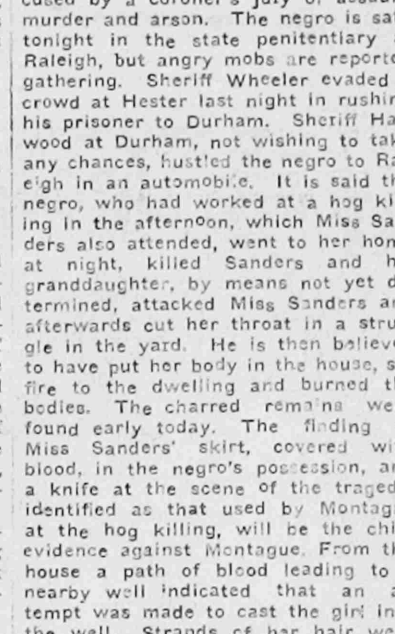
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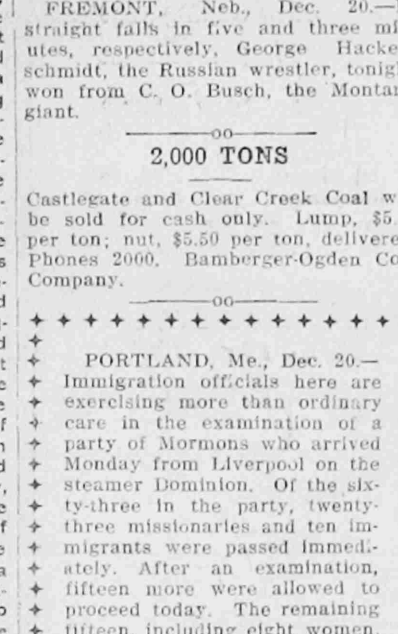
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WOMAN AWAITING DEATH SENTENCE
HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 20.—Among the legions Governor Stuart will leave for John K. Tener, his successor, when he retires from office next month is the disposal of the case of Mrs. Kate Edwards, who is in the Berks county jail, under sentence of death for the murder of her husband about nine years ago. Because of the public sentiment stirred up at the time of her conviction against hanging a woman, two governors have passed up her case to their successors.

Charged With Murder.
Mrs. Edwards and a negro, named Gleason, were arrested for the murder of the husband and tried for murder. Gleason, on a retrial, was acquitted, though once convicted, but the woman was convicted and sentenced to be hanged.

Governor Pennypacker set a day for the execution, but before the date arrived, an application was made to the board of pardons for the commutation of the woman's death sentence to imprisonment for life, and on the night previous to the day of the execution, Governor Pennypacker reprieved the woman in order that the board might hear the case.

Action Never Been Taken.
The board of pardons took up the case and then declined to commute the death sentence. This was seven years ago. It then rested with Governor Pennypacker to again fix the day for Mrs. Edwards' execution, but he never took action. Governor Stuart likewise has not taken action and now the case descends to Governor Tener.

Meantime Mrs. Edwards has occupied a cell in the Berks county jail and is said to be a most exemplary prisoner.

BUFFALO HAS EXPLOSION.
BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 20.—An explosion similar in many respects to

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